



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Thomas Joseph Segatta et al

For: TIRE WITH APEX RUBBER BLEND

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed October 18, 1995, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 1, after the phrase, "filed on September 16, 1992," insert --now abandoned--.

Page 1, line 26, delete "plies are" and substitute therefore --ply is--.

Page 2, line 2, delete "a" and substitute therefore --an--.

Page 2, line 7, delete "flexten" and substitute therefore --Flexten®--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Three Times Amended) A radial tire comprising a steel cord reinforced carcass ply and an apex of a composition comprised of, based on 100 parts by weight rubber, (A) about 80 to about 97 parts by weight of at least one diene rubber selected from the group consisting of natural rubber, synthetic cis 1,4-polyisoprene rubber, and cis 1,4-polybutadiene rubber; and (B) about 3 to about 20 parts by weight of a trans 1,4-polybutadiene rubber [have] having [a 65 to about 90] 75 to about 85 percent by